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Title: IN SITU THERMAL  
PROCESSING OF A  
HYDROCARBON  
CONTAINING FORMATION  
HAVING A SELECTED  
TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON  
CONTENT

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Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Below is a clean copy of amended claims. A marked-up copy of the amended claims is provided in an accompanying document.

1727. (amended) A method of treating a hydrocarbon containing formation in situ, comprising:  
providing heat from one or more heaters positioned in heater wells to at least a portion of  
the formation;